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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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REVIEW OF REPRODUCTIVE AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has reviewed the Reproductive and Child Health Programme in the States;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) whether the funds provided by the Union Government are being spent on the health services by all the States;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the amount provided for health services to the said States is being curtailed; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (f): Yes Sir, the Reproductive and Child Health Programme is being regularly reviewed by the Government. The reviews show that most States and UTs have strengthened programme management structures, prepared decentralized State level Programme Implementation Plans and begun implementation of agreed Maternal Health, Child Health and Family Welfare technical interventions for reduction of Infant Mortality Rate, Maternal Mortality Ratio, and Total Fertility Rate. The States have also started reporting expenditure on approved programme activities. There is no proposal to curtail the financial envelopes available to the States under the programme and funds as per entitlement will continue to be released on submission of utilization certificates in respect of past releases.